## Attorney Docket No. 9355 **DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN** Dale Francis Bittner First Named Inventor PATENT APPLICATION COMPLETE IF KNOWN (37 C.F.R. 1.63) 10/656,489 **Application Number** MBINED WITH POWER OF **CATTORNEY** September 5, 2003 Filing Date **Group Art Unit Examiner Name** 8367 Confirmation Number I hereby declare that: Each inventor's residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to their name. 11-1-1-1-1 be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a

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